

MINUTES
MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF PINCHER CREEK NO. 9
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
NOVEMBER 25, 2025

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The Regular Meeting of Council of the Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9 was held on Tuesday, November 25, 2025, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal District Administration Building, Pincher Creek, Alberta.

PRESENT Reeve Rick Lemire, Deputy Reeve Tony Bruder, and Councillors Dave Cox, John MacGarva and Jim Welsch.

STAFF CAO Roland Milligan, Director of Corporate Services Meghan Dobie, Utilities & Infrastructure Manager David Desabrais, Development Officer Laura McKinnon, Finance Manager Brendan Schlossberger, and Executive Assistant Jessica McClelland.

Reeve Rick Lemire called the meeting to order at 3:00 pm.

A. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Councillor Jim Welsch 25/525

Moved that the agenda for November 25, 2025, be amended to include:

Action:

- f) Draft Resolution – Cardston County
 - Controlling Grizzly Bears to Ensure Community Safety

Closed Session:

- a) Curling Club Delegation Discussion – ATIA Sec. 19.1

AND THAT the agenda be approved as amended.

Carried

B. DELEGATIONS

C. MINUTES

- 1) Council Committee Meeting Minutes – November 12, 2025

Councillor Jim Welsch 25/526

Moved that the minutes of the Council Committee Meeting of November 12, 2025, be amended to include Councillor Dave Cox in attendance,

AND THAT the minutes be approved as amended.

Carried

- 2) Council Meeting Minutes – November 12, 2025

Councillor Tony Bruder 25/527

Moved that the minutes of the Council Meeting of November 12, 2025, be approved as presented.

Carried

- 3) Coffee with Council Meeting Notes – November 13, 2025

Councillor Jim Welsch 25/528

Moved that the notes of the Coffee with Council on November 13, 2025, be amended with minor grammatical revisions,

AND THAT the notes be approved as amended.

Carried

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D. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

E. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

F. COMMITTEE REPORTS / DIVISIONAL CONCERNS

1. Councillor Tony Bruder – Division 1
 - Agricultural Service Board
 - RMA Convention
2. Reeve Rick Lemire – Division 2
 - Coffee with Council
3. Councillor Dave Cox– Division 3
 - Beaver Mines Community Association AGM
 - Pincher Creek Foundation
 - Castle Mountain Resort is recognized for its FireSmart Program
4. Councillor Jim Welsch - Division 4
 - Pincher Creek Foundation
 - Agricultural Service Board
 - Family and Community Services
 - Police Advisory
5. Councillor John MacGarva – Division 5
 - Lundbreck Citizens Council
 - Coffee with Council

Councillor Tony Bruder 25/529

Moved to accept the Committee Reports as information.

Carried

G. ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

1. Operations

a) Public Works Operations Report

Councillor John MacGarva 25/530

Moved that Council receive the Public Works Operations Report, including Schedule A – Shop/Fleet Report, for the period November 3, 2025, to November 16, 2025, as information.

Carried

b) Utilities & Infrastructure Report

Councillor Tony Bruder 25/531

Moved that Council receive the Utilities & Infrastructure report for November 5, 2025, to November 16, 2025, as information.

Carried

2. Finance

a) Draft 2026 Operating and Capital Budget

Councillor Tony Bruder 25/532

Moved that Council approve the 2026 Operating and Capital Budget.

Carried

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3. Development and Community Services

4. Municipal

a) Administrative Support Review

Councillor Jim Welsch 25/533

Moved that Council receive the Administrative Support Review Report for the period November 8, 2025, to November 20, 2025, as information.

Carried

Councillor Jim Welch 25/534

Moved that a letter of support be authorized to the Thanksgiving Ranch in their grant application to the Travel Alberta Tourism Investment Program.

Carried

Councillor Tony Bruder 25/535

Moved that a letter of support be authorized to Heritage Acres, in their grant application to the Travel Alberta Tourism Investment Program.

Carried

b) 2026 Coffee with Council

Councillor John MacGarva 25/536

Moved that the 2026 Coffee with Council dates be scheduled as followed:

- Division 1 - Twin Butte Hall - February 17, 2026
- Division 3 - Coalfield School - April 21, 2026
- Division 4 - Summerview Hall - June 16, 2026
- Division 5 - Lundbreck Hall - September 15, 2026
- Division 2 - MD Office - November 17, 2026

Carried

H. CORRESPONDENCE

A. For Action

a) Oldman Watershed Council

Councillor Dave Cox 25/537

Moved that the Council support the Oldman Watershed Council for 2026 in the amount of \$1598.

Defeated

b) Heritage Acres – Pancake Breakfast

Councillor 25/538

Moved that any Councillor that wishes to attended be authorised to participate in the Pancake Breakfast, Saturday December 6, 2025.

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c) Alberta Transportation and Economic Corridors

Councillor John MacGarva 25/539

Moved to receive the Alberta Transportation and Economic Corridors request for feedback on proposed Change to Highway Speed and public opinion survey link as information.

Carried

d) Pincher Creek Women's Emergency Shelter Association

Council directed administration to respond to the Pincher Creek Women's Emergency Shelter Association that due to short notice, and scheduling, Council was unable to attend the Flag Raising on November 25, 2025.

e) Pincher Creek Community Food Bank

Councillor John MacGarva 25/540

Moved that the Reeve's invitation to the Holiday Train, from the Pincher Creek Community Food Bank, be received as information.

Carried

f) Controlling Grizzly Bears to Ensure Community Safety

Councillor Tony Bruder 25/541

Moved that the draft resolution on controlling grizzly bears to ensure community safety, from Cardston County, MD, Council suggests amending "recovery plan" to "Grizzly Bears have recovered and no need for a recovery plan, but a need for a management plan".

And that the MD approve co-sponsoring the resolution with amendments.

Carried

B. For Information

Councillor Tony Bruder 25/542

Moved that the following be received as information:

a) Old College of Agriculture and Technology

- Congratulations on Election to Public Office, letter dated October 24, 2025

b) Alberta Prairie Conservation Forum

- State of the Prairie Technical Report link <https://albertapcf.org/state-of-the-prairie>

c) Alberta Museums Association

- Municipal Support for Museums in Alberta, letter dated November 12, 2025

Carried

I. NEW BUSINESS

J. CLOSED SESSION

Councillor Dave Cox 25/543

Moved that Council move into closed session to discuss the following, the time being 4:35 pm.

a) Pincher Creek Curling Club Delegation Discussion – ATIA Sec. 19.1

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Councillor John MacGarva 25/544

Moved that Council move out of closed session, the time being 5:04 pm.

Carried

Councillor Dave Cox 25/545

Moved that in regards to the Pincher Creek Curling Club, Council increase funding from \$868,637 to \$1,000,000, with the amount to be taken from the Regional Community Initiative Reserve;

AND THAT the MD offer an in-kind donation, up to a maximum of \$50,000;

AND FINALLY THAT the Pincher Creek Curling Club provides quarterly updates on any changes to the projected capital cost and secured funding sources.

Carried

K. ADJOURNMENT

Councillor Tony Bruder 25/546

Moved that Council adjourn the meeting, the time being 5:08 pm.

Carried



REEVE



CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER